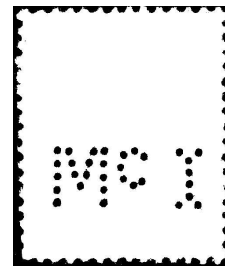
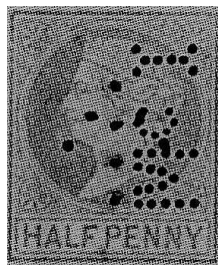
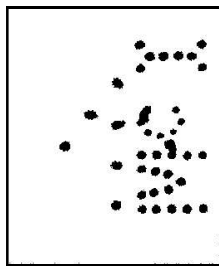


SEEN IN AUCTION

AJH Stamps offered in their July auction a copy of B3690.02 BIRD on 1d plate 203 with an estimate of £15!! Interestingly it's offered as an item for a "thematic" collection.

A Queen Victoria small format ½d lilac postcard (Huggins CP2) was offered in a Cavendish Auction (lot 1257) in March this year with an estimate of £150. The postcard was used on March 2nd 1872 and has a McI security perfin. The card was then cancelled with a Liverpool Sloper "Arrow" cancel. **Rosemary Smith** in her article on Sloper Experimental Cancellation (Bulletin 267) listed only one such "double" strike – again a Liverpool arrow but with a STOTT/ & Co - S7490.01 perfin.



M1280.01

Four interesting Board of Trade perfin pieces were offered on e-bay in May. One lot consisted of two fronts with Edward VII stamps – both headed with "On His Majesty's Service". These were offered at £60! The other three lots comprised of newspaper wrappers clearly marked "Board of Trade", dated 1886, 1888 and 1894 addressed to the consul in Thailand. Presumably they were sending him his copy of the "Times". The first two lots were priced at £100 and the last at £300! Although very interesting pieces, as would be expected at these prices none of them were sold.

Lastly a beautiful copy of a 2/- Brown SG121 Plate 1 with perfin die D&S - D4390.07 was on e-bay in June. A very rare stamp with a fine William Dawson & Son pre-cancel, however with a reserve of £290 it failed to sell.



D4390.07